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LOST—On Wednesday, 19th inst., in a carriage from Wells to Clark street, by way of Lake and Wells, a Gold Watch Key, with the initials "H. C. W." on the outside. Any one returning the same to Tribune Office will be liberally rewarded. mh13-3t*

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TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 1862.
For Interesting General News see Fourth Page.

A BATTLE OF PEA RIDGE.

We can spare much space this morning to the details of the late glorious victory of Gen. Curtis, in which our brave Illinois boys so honorable a part. On the first page of this issue we give a letter from Col. Julius White of the 37th, commanding the Second Brigade, Gen. Davis's Division. The 37th, we learn in this city as the Fremont Rifles, an excellent laurels for their share in the victory. The full report of the battle will be found elsewhere and will be read with interest.

The location of this battle-field is particularly homely name is in the extreme northwest corner of Arkansas, Bentonville, the most considerable town in that region, which is a wild and rugged section.

OPERATIONS ON THE MISSISSIPPI.

Our columns to-day give the details of the most operations which have within a short past given us New Madrid and Island No. 10, and thus opened the Mississippi to our advance toward Memphis. From all the circumstances we are inclined to believe that in the work thus far accomplished, there was no design of the co-operation of a land force on the Kentucky side. Our map shows the position of these two points named to one another, and to the advance of Commodore Foote. The peculiar topography of the region is represented, which gave the fleeing rebels of New Madrid a narrow spit of land on which to stop, striking the river at a point between batteries planted by Gen. Pope at Point Pleasant. The same avenue of escape was open to the rebels in their flight from Island No. 10, and they availed themselves of it. A Federal column at Obion would have drawn tight the mouth of the pocket and bagged the whole of both parties, if it was not there, and we are to infer there was no design that it should be. Further down the river the land forces of Gen. Curtis and the Mississippi, will be heard from, and the next blow decides the fate of Memphis. The next fortified point is a long more formidable, and is probably a much stronger point than Fort Randolph is sixty-five miles above Memphis, Fort Pillow is forty miles above Fort Randolph, and both are heavily fortified. To these points the troops from Columbus are believed to have been transferred, many of them thus restored to their original positions.

Formidable fortifications were constructed on the best military guidance, and command all the bluffs, which are very high, and so arranged that each position would have to be reduced by regular storming, and all would have to be won before the position could be successfully held. The country in the rear is represented to be similar to that in the Fort Donelson, broken and precipitous, with narrow ravines leading towards the works. All these are guarded with the best possible defences.

We still not be long before the Mississippi is free of Com. Foote knocks for admission at these gates to Memphis. Nor will his appeals be denied.

GENERAL HUNTER.

The friends of Gen. Hunter will be gratified to hear that he has been assigned an independent command in a field where his services will have full play. The telegraphic dispatch says his Department comprises the States of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida—a theatre of action for which, by reason of his righteous hatred of human slavery, he is admirably fitted. Gen. Sherman was at Port Royal or in that vicinity, and ordered to report to him as a subordinate.

General Hunter outranks all the officers in his Department, and consequently will have control of military operations within his district, being subordinate only to the President and Secretary of War. The Department assigned to Gen. Hunter is exceedingly important one, covering the States and including *South Carolina*—the State in which the rebellion was hatched, and where the fires of civil war were first lighted. We believe that Gen. Hunter is the right man for the place assigned to him. He has no superstitious reverence for the "sum of all villainies." He knows that 'slavery is the sum of all villainies." He knows that 'slavery is the cause of the war, and he hates it. He is a friend of slavery man, and loves liberty. He is one of the few West Pointers who never were corrupted or poisoned by pro-slavery associations. His appointment is a triumph and vindication of the progressive element of the country. He represents the do-something policy. He is for the do-something policy. He is for prompt, determined action, rapid marches, hard blows, close work, and a short war. Everywhere in striking at the *citadel* of the rebellion, and slavery must look out for itself. The appointment of Hunter to command the troops in South Carolina, Georgia and Florida is indicative of more than appears on the surface. It is another evidence that the President is in dead earnest and intends to reduce to practice what he said in his recent Emancipation Message, that he would employ all indispensible means to speedily ending the struggle; and the pro-slavery priests and politicians who have thought that the President was about to bring himself into their embrace, will be doomed to grievous disappointment.

Mr. THURMAN proposed Gen. Hunter to the President, months ago for the command of the South Carolina Department, and continued to urge it. But there were two obstacles in the way until quite lately. The President has great confidence in the military skill and go-ahead qualities of Gen. Hunter, who was educated in the cavalry arm of military science, and has a profound contempt for the defensive, fortifying, wait-and-do-nothing system of warfare. He believes in charging right up to the accesh, and making the fur fly. The assignment of this live General to the South Carolina Department *means business*. Secession and slavery will get hurt. Mark our prediction.

THE MISSISSIPPI EXPEDITION.

FLAG OFFICER FOOTE'S COMMAND AND ERRAND.

Bombardment of Island No. 10.

ON BOARD TRANSPORT V. F. WILSON, MISSISSIPPI RIVER, March 14th, 1862.

The great Mississippi River Expedition is now under way and the fleet is steaming for Dixie. The well laid plans of Commodore Foote are thoroughly matured, and the incipients of a gigantic blow at the very heart of the rebellion are inaugurated. The "Lincoln gunboats," which have long been the terror of the Cumberland and Tennessee, to-day sail into new waters with the old flag at the fore and frowning ports—missionaries, carrying to a land of darkness and wickedness the glad tidings of liberty and Union, to be sent from the cannon's mouth if necessary.

Of the movements and position of General Pope's forces at New Madrid the telegraph has kept you advised, and I allude to it again as in intimate connection with the plans of the expedition. A bearer of dispatches from the General arrived at Cairo yesterday, to obtain more ammunition and heavy siege guns, two of the latter which having been placed in battery, bursted. A dispatch also intimating that the services of the gunboats were necessary for the capture of the place, owing to the presence of the rebel gunboats, expedited matters and the final order was given to sail this morning.

THE FLEET,

FLAG-OFFICER ANDREW H. FOOTE COMMANDING.

The fleet is composed of eight gunboats, eight mortar boats, five tow boats, two ammunition boats and several tugs, as follows:

GUNBOATS.

Benton, (flag ship), Capt. Phelps.
Cincinnati, Capt. Stembel.
Louisville, Capt. Dove.
St. Louis, Capt. Dunnington.
Carondolet, Capt. Walke.
Pittsburgh, Capt. Thompson.
Mound City, Capt. Kitty.
Conestoga, Capt. Blodgett.

This comprises the entire number of gunboats in the western waters, with the exception of the Lexington, Tylor and Cairo, which are up the Tennessee river. The boats are in most thorough repair and every way ready for action.

THE MORTAR BOATS.

Eight mortar boats accompany the expedition numbered as follows: 5, 22, 36, 13, 1, 30, 19, 7; the first four in tow of the steamers V. S. Wilson and Ike Hammitt, the remainder in tow of the Pike and Wisconsin No. 2. The officers of the mortar fleet are as follows:

Capt. Henry E. Maynadier, (10th U. S. Infantry) commanding.

Capt. E. B. Pike, (Engineer corps,) Assistant Superintendent.

MASTERS.

H. A. Glassford, G. F. Johnson, G. B. Sisson, F. B. Gregory.

Each mortar boat is manned by fifteen men, three of whom are flat-bottomen detailed to maneuver the boats when taking position. The mortar boats are hexagonal shape, iron-sided, and about fifty feet in length by twenty in width. The mortar is mounted in the centre of the boat, the iron bed resting upon a firm, evenly-planed oak platform. The mortars weigh about 17,000 pounds each, and throw a thirteen-inch shell weighing two hundred and twenty-five pounds. Directly in the rear of of each mortar is a tent for the accommodation of the men, thirteen of whom are required to man each boat. Other appurtenances are a boat, sweeps for the raising anchor chains, mortar apparatus for charging, and derrick at the bows for handling the shell.

AMMUNITION, BOATS, ETC.

The ammunition boats accompanying the expedition are the Judge Torrence and Great Western, each carrying about 4,000 shell, besside shot and powder, which are lodged in a magazine below the water line out of reach of shot. Any danger from fire is avoided by the stringent rules in force. The boats are officered as follows:

JUDGE TORRENCE.
First Master—Capt. J. F. Richardson.
Second Master—W. C. Newton.
Pilots—W. G. Stanly, Geo. Masons.
Engineer—W. Dinkins.
Surgeon—Dr. Amasa Blake.
Paymaster—Henry B. Mitchell.

GREAT WESTERN.
First Master—Capt. Wm. F. Hamilton.
Pilots—John Mullenbine, William Keats.
Engineer—Charles Christopher.

The steamer Alps, one of the fastest boats on the Ohio river, has the coal barge in tow.

TRANSPORTS.

There are two transports, the Silver Wave and Alps, carrying 1,800 men, under Col. Buford, comprising the 27th Illinois, Col. Buford, and the 15th Wisconsin, Col. Reg, composed almost entirely of Scandinavians. The latter regiment arrived at Cairo only a few days since and has been quartered at Bird's Point.

The above is the composition of the fleet, the largest which has yet appeared upon the Western waters, and will serve as an introduction to the Expedition. I now commence to journalize a detailed account of the voyage, its surroundings, incidents and results.

Friday, March 14th—Sailing orders for the expedition were received on last Tuesday night, and were at once communicated to the captains of the fleet, with instructions to be in readiness at three o'clock on the following afternoon for sailing. The few repairs yet remaining, were completed on Wednesday morning. At noon the low boats, four in number, steamed up the river to the curve of the levee, where the mortar boats lay, each pair taking four boats in tow fastened between them. At a quarter past three in the afternoon, the flag ship's tug came up, with Captain Pennock, Fleet Captain, on board, ordering the tows to follow the Benton when she moved. Three quarters of an hour after another tug came up with the orders to let our fires go down, as we should not move that night. A few moments after, through the courtesy of Commodore Foote and Captain Pennock, a third tug came up to convey the journalists back to the city. These gentlemen have laid the press under infinite obligations by their marked politeness and unceasing efforts to increase the facilities and decrease the discomforts of correspondents. The cause of this countermanding of orders, was a dispatch received by the Commodore from Gen. Halleck, purporting that the departure of the fleet should be delayed until heavy siege guns could be placed at and below New Madrid, to cut off the retreat of the rebels. The dispatch was received just as the Benton was about hoisting her sailing signals. A few minutes more and we should have been off for Dixie.

The expedition remained *in statu quo* the next day (Thursday), but at night the welcome orders came to sail. The hour of starting was fixed at three o'clock in the morning, but at that hour, a most furious thunder storm prevailed and a dense, heavy fog hung over the river. It was deemed impracticable to sail in the midst of so violent a storm, and a delay of two hours ensued. At five the storm lulled, the clouds broke away, and the requisite amount of blue sky appearing to manufacture a Teuton a pair of unmentionables, the flag ship shook out her sailing signals and soon the black turtles were crawling out into the stream. The tow boats with their fearful engines steamed after, and soon the whole fleet was in motion in the following order:

"Flag ship Benton bearing the broad blue pennant of the Commodore.
Cincinnati, Louisville,
Pittsburgh, Carondolet.
Conestoga.

A. F. Wilson (mortars 5, 22, 19, and 7), Ike Hammett, Pike (mortars 13, 27, 36, and 38), Wisconsin No. 2 and Alps, towing coal barges.

Transports Silver Wave and Rob Roy carrying the 27th Illinois, Col. Buford, and the 15th Wisconsin, Col. Reg. Ammunition boats Torrence and Great Western.

In addition to these were six tugs acting as escorts, and hovering about the fleet as added to the advance upon the field fly round a General. The above enumeration does not include the total of the fleet, other additions having been made at Columbus, which will be found in their proper place.

The Conestoga rounded to handsomely and took her position as convoy of the mortar fleet, and thus we passed Fort Holt, and were on the Mississippi, heading for Dixie. We made Columbus at 11 o'clock, passed under the towering bluffs which lately bristled with rebel cannon, and laid up at the landing. A week before, I came to Columbus and we crept cautiously along past the fatal field of Belmont, not knowing but any minute a 32-pounder might come crashing through our decks from the distant heights. To-day the old flag is waving upon the crown of the bluff, and we are greeted with hearty cheers as we round to and lay up at the landing.

We laid at Columbus until two o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the Commodore decided to steam down the river as far as Hickman and anchor for the night, upon the condition that our mortars are not required to shell out the rebels from the place, for the exact position of affairs there is still in mystery. At this point the fleet was increased by the addition of the gunboats St. Louis and Mound City, the Lake Erie towing mortars Nos. 11 and 12.

We were now fairly in secession waters and steaming between the reeds on either hand. The gunboats pushed boldly out, covering the river from bank to bank, and leading the rest of the fleet about a mile. The first place we passed was a straggling collection of low one story boxed buildings and log huts situated upon the river bottom, almost entirely overflowed and called Jones's Landing. The place was entirely deserted save by one or two butternut individuals, one of whom greeted us with a rifle shot, whether intentionally or not is uncertain. In either event his range was too high and his good wishes failed of gratification.

At five o'clock we made Hickman. We came up cautiously, for the real sentiments of the Hickmanites were ambiguous, and report had established a powerful water battery upon the slope of the bluff. The earthworks were indeed there, but innocent of cannon. As we neared the town, groups of people were seen in the streets, looking from windows and balconies and scattered along the top of the bluff. From several houses the ladies waved us a hearty welcome with their handkerchiefs and the children clapped their hands. But the great mass of the people were undemonstrative. As our boats touched the landing, a party of rebel cavalry scouts, who had been watching us from the top of the bluff, suddenly disappeared in order to visit the log cabin and its inmates who had fled so summarily upon our appearance. Wading through sloughs knee deep in the mud, jumping fences, crossing cornfields and paddling across bayous upon the trunks of cotton-woods, I at-last reached the house. It was a rough log cabin, with wooden chimney upon the outside, after the fashion of log cabins in this country—a poor protection against wind or weather. The furniture was of the simplest description, home-made mostly, and barely answering the wants of a very scant domestic economy. The inmates were an old man suffering with chills, his two married daughters and two children. The husbands of the married females were away, pressed into the rebel service. The wives were fair-haired, black-haired, handsome women, clad in homespun. The children, bright-eyed, chubby-cheeked youngsters, too young to fairly comprehend the terrors of war. The elder sisters were remarkably intelligent and fluent in conversation, and upon my asking them why they fled into the woods, they replied: "Officers were down from the island last week and told us the Lincoln boats were coming down soon, and would burn our house if we staid here; and when we saw your boats coming and heard their firing (referring to the guns of the Grampus) we broke for the house and ran away." Upon my explanation that they should run to, and not from, the Union flag, and that the Union men would not harm peaceful citizens, they replied they knew it now. The old man, at this point, broke in with firm asseverations of loyalty; said that he was born in old Kentucky, and stood by the Union always when the Secess were not round. After further conversation, I bid them good-bye and paddled back to the Wilson.

OFF ISLAND NO. 10,
Saturday Evening, March 15.

The mortars which the Lake Erie towed down the river took a position above a point commanding the head of Island No. 10, and the bluff and water batteries about three miles distant. The mortars commenced their practice at quarter to three, the first shell exploding in the woods near the battery. The second exploded in the river, dashing the water into the battery. The enemy immediately replied with a sixty-four pounder from the battery upon the head of the island, but the ball did not reach two-thirds of the way across the river. The mortars again sent another round, and the enemy returned the compliment, elevating their 64 battery gun so that the ball harmlessly in the middle of the river. The mortars kept up their fire until dark—one shell falling plump into one of their batteries, and silencing it. Our mortars then stopped their fire for the day, after having fired twenty-six rounds. The mortars worked splendidly, and the crew when they left off, appeared as fresh and ready for action as when they commenced. They complained a little after the first shot, but subsequently experienced no serious unpleasant sensations. Our boats approached near enough to ascertain that the bluff was white with tents for a long distance. A large number of steamers were lying at the head of the island, and six or seven of their gun boats at the fort, among them—as was thought by our officers, the ram Manassas. By order of Commodore Foote, all the fleet came to anchor off the Missouri shore just during the night. As I write, our watchfires are brightly burning, and we all are anxiously awaiting the events of to-morrow.

G. P. U.

ST. LOUIS, March 18—The news of the evacuation of Island No. 10 was sent to the Headquarters, in this city, by General Pope, from New Madrid. The latest intelligence to the press, by way of Cairo, was to Sunday evening, whilst General Pope's dispatch was dated the next day. The fact that the newspapers here have no particulars by telegraph of the occupation of the island by the forces under Pope, has given rise to a doubt in the minds of some, and particularly the secessionists, as to whether Gen. Halleck's announcement is to be upon the 17th instant. About two miles below Island No. 8, the river makes a very wide and gradual bend, and as the Benton steams in, leading the fleet, the rebel gunboat Grampus pokes her nose around a distant point. Instantly the Benton sends four or five shells after her, and almost as instantly, the Grampus takes to her heels and disappears around the point, whether damaged or not, it is now impossible to say.

In pursuance of orders, we moor to the bank on the Kentucky shore inside the point. The land is heavily wooded, and swampy, with occasional corn-fields upon the ridges. There are two wretched log cabins upon the bank, entirely deserted by the male tenants, and as we hear them a half dozen women run screaming into the woods for safety. As soon as we crept cautiously along past the fatal field of Belmont, not knowing but any minute a 32-pounder might come crashing through the brush, with an immense sheet tied to a sapling as a flag of truce. Our pickets take them, assuring them they shall not be harmed, and conduct them to their cabids. They say that they have been told the Lincoln gunboats will shell and burn their houses and murder them.

In the first part of to-day's notes I should have said that the Grampus was formerly a tow-boat, and was seized at Memphis by the rebels for conversion into a gun-boat. She is a wretched concern, however, and could not withstand for a moment an attack from one of our boats. At the time of her seizure she was owned by Capt. Chester, of the Alps, now in our fleet. Another boat, the Mohawk, belonging to him was seized at the same time and is now a gunboat in the rebel service.

The gunboats laid inside the point for an hour or more, the Carondelet in the meantime reconnoitering the Missouri shore for a long distance. Gradually the Benton crept round the point and was soon in full view of the head of the island. She kept along for some distance, hugging the shore, upon the lookout for mated batteries, with which rumor had invested the shores for two or three miles up the river. The flag ship occasionally let fly a shell at the island but provoked no reply, and a tug was dispatched with a special order for the Eric and her two mortars. She left us at one o'clock and her mortars were placed in position. Two hours elapsed and nothing was heard from them. Impatient of remaining on board, I went ashore to visit the log cabin and its inmates who had fled so summarily upon our appearance. Wading through sloughs knee deep in the mud, jumping fences, crossing cornfields and paddling across bayous upon the trunks of cotton-woods, I at-last reached the house. It was a rough log cabin, with wooden chimney upon the outside, after the fashion of log cabins in this country—a poor protection against wind or weather. The furniture was of the simplest description, home-made mostly, and barely answering the wants of a very scant domestic economy. The inmates were an old man suffering with chills, his two married daughters and two children. The husbands of the married females were away, pressed into the rebel service. The wives were fair-haired, black-haired, handsome women, clad in homespun. The children, bright-eyed, chubby-cheeked youngsters, too young to fairly comprehend the terrors of war. The elder sisters were remarkably intelligent and fluent in conversation, and upon my asking them why they fled into the woods, they replied: "Officers were down from the island last week and told us the Lincoln boats were coming down soon, and would burn our house if we staid here; and when we saw your boats coming and heard their firing (referring to the guns of the Grampus) we broke for the house and ran away." Upon my explanation that they should run to, and not from, the Union flag, and that the Union men would not harm peaceful citizens, they replied they knew it now. The old man, at this point, broke in with firm asseverations of loyalty; said that he was born in old Kentucky, and stood by the Union always when the Secess were not round. After further conversation, I bid them good-bye and paddled back to the Wilson.

OFF ISLAND NO. 10,
Saturday Evening, March 15.

The mortars which the Lake Erie towed down the river took a position above a point commanding the head of Island No. 10, and the bluff and water batteries about three miles distant. The mortars commenced their practice at quarter to three, the first shell exploding in the woods near the battery. The second exploded in the river, dashing the water into the battery. The enemy immediately replied with a sixty-four pounder from the battery upon the head of the island, but the ball did not reach two-thirds of the way across the river. The mortars again sent another round, and the enemy returned the compliment, elevating their 64 battery gun so that the ball harmlessly in the middle of the river. The mortars kept up their fire until dark—one shell falling plump into one of their batteries, and silencing it. Our mortars then stopped their fire for the day, after having fired twenty-six rounds. The mortars worked splendidly, and the crew when they left off, appeared as fresh and ready for action as when they commenced. They complained a little after the first shot, but subsequently experienced no serious unpleasant sensations. Our boats approached near enough to ascertain that the bluff was white with tents for a long distance. A large number of steamers were lying at the head of the island, and six or seven of their gun boats at the fort, among them—as was thought by our officers, the ram Manassas. By order of Commodore Foote, all the fleet came to anchor off the Missouri shore just during the night. As I write, our watchfires are brightly burning, and we all are anxiously awaiting the events of to-morrow.

G. P. U.

ST. LOUIS, March 18—The news of the evacuation of Island No. 10 was sent to the Headquarters, in this city, by General Pope, from New Madrid. The latest intelligence to the press, by way of Cairo, was to Sunday evening, whilst General Pope's dispatch was dated the next day. The fact that the newspapers here have no particulars by telegraph of the occupation of the island by the forces under Pope, has given rise to a doubt in the minds of some, and particularly the secessionists, as to whether Gen. Halleck's announcement is to be upon the 17th instant. About two miles below Island No. 8, the river makes a very wide and gradual bend, and as the Benton steams in, leading the fleet, the rebel gunboat Grampus pokes her nose around a distant point. Instantly the Benton sends four or five shells after her, and almost as instantly, the Grampus takes to her heels and disappears around the point, whether damaged or not, it is now impossible to say.

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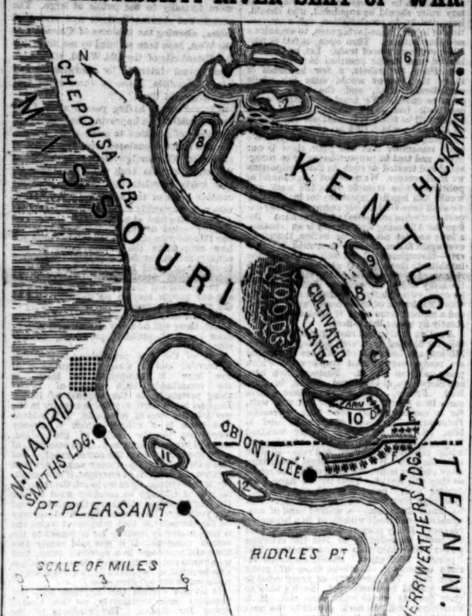
THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER SEAT OF WAR.



EVACUATION OF NEW MADRID

[From our own Correspondent.]

CAMP NEAR NEW MADRID, March 14, 1862.

On Wednesday evening, the 10th Illinois, Col. J. D. Morgan, and the 16th Ill. R. F. Smith, together with companies A and K of the 1st regular infantry, under cover of the darkness, took an advanced position directly in front of the rebel fort for the purpose of planting some heavy siege guns. Not a word was spoken: every cigar and pipe was put away; every gun was held firmly to prevent the least rattling, and the troops advanced to within 150 yards of the enemy's pickets in the most perfect silence. Companies A and B of the 10th were sent forward as skirmishers, with orders to guard against all surprises, and with instructions not to fire or make any noise which should betray our position. After the engineer had measured the proposed line of earthworks, the boys removed a rail fence, piling the rails lengthwise, lapping the ends and then covering them with earth. In about three hours a breastwork was built sufficient to protect the two regiments, and by early dawn the artillery was ready for action.

During the night Capt. Carr of company H, of Sandwich, Ill., was shot. Wandering too far beyond our pickets, he came upon the pickets of the enemy, when one of them sent a ball right through the left breast, grazing the upper part of his heart. He exclaimed "O, God!" when the picket replied, "Hah! hah! Did that hurt you, you say?" Receiving another shot, he staggered back a few steps and fell, dying within an hour.

In the morning our battery opened the ball by sending a shot into the enemy's works. This was replied to by a fire from the guns of the fort, supported by five gunboats, one of which was a three-masted schooner, said to have been a revenue cutter seized at New Orleans—all of them well armed. The cannonading was terrific. Round shot, shell and grape fell over and beyond our breastworks in all directions. At about eleven A. M. a shot struck the muzzle of our best gun, knocking out a large fragment, killing two men, wounding four, and silencing the gun for the day. The rebels signified their satisfaction by loud cheering. They fired 114 shots to our 19 during two hours of the afternoon, and this was about the proportion for the entire day. The infantry laid quietly in the trenches. At first there was considerable dodging and ducking, as but few of the troops were ever before under fire. This wore off, and all soon were jesting, smoking, "watching balls," and sleeping. One ball striking the breastwork, threw a cart-load of sand over a squad of the 10th boys. They immediately jumped on the embankment, and, hat in hand, gave the rebels a salute and cheer. The hardy veterans before Sebastopol, after their months of exercise, could not have exhibited more coolness than did these brave Illinoisans. The fight lasted till six o'clock in the afternoon, when the rebels ceased to fire, and our troops prepared for the arduous task of planting more heavy guns expected to arrive from Sikeston. During the fight we lost six men killed and several wounded, most of them belonging to the regulars, and the rest to some Ohio regiment which was in position as a reserve, and who were struck by balls which went to right or left of the troops actually in the trenches. Neither the 10th or 10th had a man injured.

It is estimated that the rebels fired at least six hundred shots during the day. During Thursday night the army anticipated a heavy fight on the following day, for we wrongly supposed the rebels had had the best of it. When morning came, however, the rebels had left, leaving four prisoners to fall into our hands, about twenty cannon, some horses, mules and other property of considerable value.

The complete success of the effort reflects great credit upon Col. Morgan who was in command of the entire operation. To establish a battery within point blank range of a heavily armed fort, to maintain it for a day under so heavy a fire with an almost inconsiderable loss, is indicative of his rare ability as a tactician, and of the thoroughly soldier-like quality of his command. Winning a high military reputation during the war with Mexico, this last brilliant achievement adds new lustre to it.

The rebels lost during the fight, in killed, twenty-seven. The number of their wounded is not ascertained. To-day their gunboats have not made their appearance, and we are looking for ours to arrive from Cairo, though we fear they may be unable to pass Island No. 10.

The rebels are driven from their last foothold in Missouri. New Madrid contains many fine residences, but every house is deserted and empty.

THE ILLINOIS STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

SPRINGFIELD, March 18, 1862.

Mr. Allen of Williamson, from the Committee on Elections and Right of Suffrage, reported that they had not been able to agree upon a method of procuring the votes of our soldiers in the field. It was moved that the matter be referred to the Committee on Schedules, but Mr. Richmond of that Committee said they were unable to hit upon a plan, and so asked the matter may be taken in hand by the Convention.

The Judiciary Article was again taken up and some slight amendments made in the circuits.

Gen. Singleton declared to-day that County Attorneys provided for in the new Constitution will cost the State more money than the entire judiciary of the present Constitution. Here is a matter for reflection.

An article providing for State institutions for deaf, blind and insane was reported. The Counties Article was taken up and adopted, but reconsidered, but finally the five first sections of the Article in the present Constitution were adopted.

Mr. Fuller introduced an additional section to the Apportionment Article, creating twenty-four new election precints in Cook county. It was ordered printed and will be adopted, I understand, to-morrow.

Mr. Wentworth introduced an order providing that at the municipal election the citizens of Chicago shall vote for or against the people of Chicago electing their own officers. If a majority in favor of the people of Chicago electing their own officers, then the law in regard to the Police Commissioners, Board of Claims, and the Custodian are thereby repealed, and these offices instantly vacated.

It was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The Educational Article was taken up and adopted.

The Republicans in general and some of the Union Democrats will have nothing to do with the Congressional apportionment but

The Tribune.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 1862.

A DESPERATE RESORT.

The desperate onslaught made upon the TRIBUNE, in consequence of its just, logical and patriotic position on the slavery question and the conduct of the war, has resulted in the paragraph which we quote below. Lying, blackguarding, and bullying having failed, the resort now is to be to mob law. Witness the following from the secession organ, the Chicago *Times*, of the 18th:

> There has been a very strong disposition in the public mind of this city during the past few days, to visit the morning abolition newspaper concern out of its habitation, after the manner of shelling out the rebels from Island No. 10. If the only needed a spark to produce the threatened explosion, that is the popular indignation against the concern.
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> While there are but few things which we deprecate more than mob law, we do not doubt that it would contribute to the public peace and common good of the country should all the abolition newspaper concerns be shelled out of their habitations.

The *Times* means that the arguments of the TRIBUNE in favor of a liberal, humane and common sense policy on the slavery question are unanswerable; that its appeals for the exercise of justice have touched and quickened the pulses of the popular heart; that its urgency to have the war so carried on that rebellion may be speedily put down without the imporerishment of the nation and the dishonor of the people, are having their weight; hence, force, wielded after the manner of the South against all who contend for free speech, must be invoked. That's it. That's secession in one of its manifestations. That's the "Democracy" that the *Times* is endeavoring to inculcate. Fortunately the TRIBUNE can afford to defy malice like that; and we copy the paragraph not to show the agencies that are openly invoked to put us down, but to point out the real malignancy and the atrocious principles of that sheet which assumes to speak for the Democracy of Illinois. The CHICAGO TRIBUNE represents the feeling and hopes of a majority of the people, of this State and the Northwest. On the slavery question, it is in perfect accord with the convictions of right and duty which animate the President in the discharge of his high trusts. It speaks the sentiments of three-fourths of the volunteer army; and when it is "shelled out," for the gratification of the cowardly drivellers who entreat an irresponsible mob to do what they never dare undertake, the other "Abolitionists," from the President down to the army drummer boy, must prepare to submit to a like punishment which, the satanic *Times* being accuser and judge, will be visited upon their heads. The animus of the pro-slavery party—the intolerance, the ready resort to the bludgeon or the mob, and flagrant disregard of sacred rights when their exercise provokes hate—never dies. The *Times* has mistaken its theatre. Paragraphs like that we quote might do in Memphis, or Charleston, when their object was a man accused of Unionism or of disloyalty to the Slave Power. In either place they would provoke what the *Times* invites. But in Chicago, a city pre-eminent for its observance of law, and its attachment to order, and in which the toleration of opinion is so broad and comprehensive that the *Times* can daily spout its treason and go on unharmed, such incitements to violence should not go unpunished.

A PROBABLE RESULT.

It is impossible to foresee what effect the occupation of Tennessee will have upon the traitors who forced her out of the Union; but all accounts from Nashville—the centre of the slaveholding interest which controls the State—concur in saying that the malignity of the rebels, he and she, military and civic, rages without sensible abatement. The manifestation of their diabolical spirit ranges along every act of insult and injury from the sneers and spittings of the women, to the shooting of our pickets and the wanton murder of the stragglers, by the men. In all they say and do, in their swagger and boasting, in their affectation of forced humility under conquest, and in their vaunting what will be done, they betray the determination not to come back to an observance of their obligations under the Constitution and the laws. The Federal officials are behaving with great leniency to offenders, and with discretion toward citizens. The property and rights of all are sacredly respected. The soldiers of the corps of occupation are well disciplined and obedient to command; but what is due to a sense of right and to a determination not to oppress, is attributed to fear of exasperating the chivalrous sons of the South. At all events, it is certain that the halcyon days which the confidence journals have predicted—days in which the Union men of Secessia, relieved of the incubus which treason has rolled upon them, would rush into the arms of the Federal soldiers, hurrpy in the sight of the old flag once more, and henceforth resolved to do and die in its maintenance—have not yet come. What Governor Johnson may do in his military administration—how far, as the representative of the poor whites from whom he sprung he may succeed in awakening the sense of patriotic duty which rebellion has overborne—time alone can determine. We confess that we have little confidence in his ultimate success. In the East, where slavery is weak and loyalty comparatively strong, he may build up a party that will endure. But wherever the virus of the man-selling disease has had free course in the body politic,—where the doctrines of barbarism and force have been practiced so long that the dominant class have become despots and the niggerless whites cowards—the cause of the contention—the tap-root of the rebellion—must, we believe, be destroyed, and the incentives to treason removed before permanent peace can be made. And what is probably true of West Tennessee is probably true of all the blacker portions of the entire South. And unconsciously, and almost before we are aware of the change, the armies of the Republic will necessarily, by the pressure of events that are beyond human control, be compelled to become the army of emancipation upon the plan the President has laid down. That class of interest which is the outgrowth of crime, the parent of treason and the support of rebellion, must give way. The march of events is onward toward the disenthrallment of the Republic from the heavy and hated yoke of the arrogant and cruel slave power. This is the Nineteenth Century, and the world is governed by ideas!

TO BE CONTINUED!

We understand that Jeff. Malone, Esq., Postmaster at Gallatin, under the Confederate Government, has accepted the office under the Federal Government, and the mail to and from that place will be specially re-established.—*Nashville Republican*, 13th.

If that slave-holding oligarchy is not to be crippled; if the unhung miscreants who have fattened on the Union while laboring to destroy it, are not to be excluded from all official participation in Federal affairs, and, as far as possible, from all official connection with the affairs of their respective States, the warwill be renewed within a year after peace is made. We know nothing of the particular case which the Nashville paper relates; but we lay down a general principle which is essential to the safety of the country; and before Congress adjourns we trust that a law will be passed making the appointment or election of rebels to Federal offices illegal and void; and wherever, as in Tennessee, a State Government is to be re-organized, we hope the Legislature will imitate the Congressional example, and put up a bar between all rebels and the enjoyment of all official honors, which no traitor will ever be able to overleap. What! are Tombs, Davis, Wigfall and their confederates to go back to the Senate, and Hindman, Pryor, Cobb & Co. to the House?

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

[From our own Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, March 16th, 1862.

The exploits of the little Monitor continue to be a source of wonder and congratulation. A lively controversy has sprung up as to the priority of claim to the invention. I find in *Blackwood's Magazine* of November, 1860, (page 684,) the following paragraphs in an article on "iron-clad ships of war," speaking particularly of "the invention of Captain Cowper Coles for shielding guns' crews with *iron cupolas*."

> "We refer to this *raft* of Captain Coles because it shows that the necessary for an iron shield to protect guns' crews had taken a firm hold of the minds of naval officers."

Then in a foot note on the same page we find the following report of a commissioner appointed to examine Capt. Coles's model:

> "H. M. S. STROMBOLI,
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> "KAMATH, in the Black Sea, 13th Nov. 1855.
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> "Pursuant to an order from Rear Admiral Sir E. Lyons, Kt. K. C. B., Commander-in-Chief, &c., &c., &c., we, whose names are hereto subscribed, have reported on board H. M. S. Stromboli, to inspect a gun raft proposed by commander C. P. Coles, R. N. and we are of opinion that the invention is one of the *greatest practical value*.
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> "It appears by the model which Commander Coles has produced that the raft combines many advantages, amongst which are: 1st, light draft of water; 2d, facility of propulsion; 3d simplicity and rapidity of construction; 4th, great buoyancy—and heavy gun or mortar can be used on each with great precision of fire; 5th, protection of the crew.
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> "Looking to the probable results of future operations against our present enemy, we are further of opinion that this proposal merits the favorable attention of H. M. Government, and in order that the full benefit may be derived from the invention we think it desirable that Commander Coles should be directed to proceed to England and personally explain his proposal to their lordships.
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> "We further suggest that the present circumstances necessitate this.
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> [Signed] President, Rear-Admiral Sir Houston STEWART, K. C. B., second in command.
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> Capt. ARTHUR CUMMINS, R. N.
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> Capt. D. CHARLEWOOD, R. N.
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> Mr. RUSSELL, Chief Engineer of H. M. S. Royal Albert.
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> Carpenter of H. M. S. Nankin.
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> Capt. H. HAY, R. M. S. Hannibal."

In the December number (1860) of the same magazine is an allusion to a report of the Royal Defense Commission, which says, "A method of mounting guns *in cupolas on revolving tables* has been submitted to the committee, no brief of this plan has yet been submitted." It would appear from the complaining tone of the article in *Blackwood* that the plan did not commend itself sufficiently to the Admiralty to secure a trial. It is stated in an editorial paragraph in the New York *Tribune* that Capt. Ericsson tried to get his plan adopted by Louis Napoleon during the Crimean war. If he did, he is now still entitled to the *whole* honor of the Monitor. Otherwise he can claim only the successful application of it to war purposes, which, however, of itself is sufficient for the ambition of one person.

It is now manifest that Congress ought to repeal the present act appropriating $1,000,000 for additional stone fortifications. The money would pay for twenty-five Monitors, and if expended for forts will be sure to be wasted, and worse than wasted, for somebody will be sure to be corrupted by handling it.

The statistics of the Sanitary Commission show that the deaths in the army of the Potomac average about 1,500 per week. The force of say 225,000, which is about 13 to each of the 240 regiments every thirty days. But if our men have been hitherto comparatively return home; they will not be so much longer. Bullets they may not attain, but Yellow Jacks will meet them in due season along the South Atlantic and Gulf coasts. The Sanitary Commission may be never so active and intelligent, but they have indeed done a work which will one day astound the country,) the malaria and heat of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Louisiana, will fight against us with vastly worse results than the pine columbiads at Centreville, and there is no better way to avert the threatened and inevitable slaughter than to call in the services of the loyal blacks in the sickly Gulf section. They can do both the working and the fighting. They can hold garrisons in the neighborhood of the yellow fever swamps, where a breath of the tainted air is death to a Northern white man, and where a single night's rest is death to a Southern white man. Here Providence points us to the way, and only with the suggestions of wisdom and humanity, but with the enforcement of a strong necessity. May we see our duty ere the thinned ranks of our soldiers fall faster than in every battle smote them, shall bring us to our knees!

The Powell and Davis controversy amused the Senate a couple of days last week. The Hon. Garrett's speech on this occasion was somewhat shorter than his effort on the Bright case—commencing as far down in the annals of time as the condition of Noah's ark, and giving small attention to the reign of Tiberius Cæsar. It was a clear case of pot calling kettle black. The majority of the Senate voted for Powell, for far the Kentucky Legislature would send another man as bad as Davis. Each of the twain occupied a whole day in discussing the other's loyalty, and it was proved by each that the other was a traitor.

Since the promulgation of the tax bill there has been an excitement touching hooped skirts. The manufacturers of the article have protested against what they deem a heavy imposition on their wares, while the jobbers view the prospective rise with alarm. Two dollars per dozen for the cheaper kinds and four dollars for the dearer, seems onerous. Fortunately there is a way to avoid the tax, while still clinging to the skirts. The bill exempts those made of steel or other metallic substance. By substituting whalebone, or bamboo, or osier willow, the ladies can still have spreading skirts at living rates. The most unpleasant feature of the controversy is the incentive which the topic gives to Members of Congress to perpetrate coarse jokes. I am sorry to say that such a tendency has been manifest since the meeting of the manufacturers was held in New York to avert the danger to their craft. It is believed that when that section of the bill comes under discussion, the House will go into secret session under Senator Wade's joint rule.

A BRILLIANT CAVALRY CHARGE.

The Charge made by Fourteen of the Lincoln Cavalry without Support—Hundred and Fifty Rebels—Kill three, wound four, and capture eleven.

FAIRFAX COURT HOUSE, March 11, 1862.

Gen. Kearney pushed out two companies of the New York Lincoln Cavalry to guard a gang of laborers who were repairing the railroad at Burk's Station, a few miles south of Fairfax Court House. About eleven o'clock he ordered a detachment of fourteen men of the Lincoln cavalry, under the command of Lieutenant Hidden, to advance to a certain point on the road, feel the enemy's position, and report. They soon came upon one of the enemy's outposts, about a dozen cavalry and fifty of his infantry were posted. Seeing the cavalry advancing, the enemy quickly formed and commenced firing, the arms used being Kentucky rifles. Without waiting for a dash on the part of the cavalry now became irresistible. Quickly Lieut. Hidden told off his men, and placing himself at their head, dashed down upon the rebels at full speed, cheering and shouting to his men as he went. A majority of the rebels, astonished at the intrepidity of the charge, took to their heels and scampered off in true Virginia style. The rest fought desperately. Lieut. Hidden fell from his horse dead. A rifle ball entered his left shoulder, curved through his neck, and came out at the check, killing him almost instantly. Lieut. Hidden was a brother-in-law of William Webb, the celebrated shipbuilder of New York. He was a young man of fine personal appearance, brave as a lion, and much beloved by both officers and men, who deeply regret his loss. Corporal Eugene Lewis now took the command, and the fight became even more desperate. Seven of the rebels had their horses killed, and were forced to engage the enemy hand to hand. Corporal Lewis, dismounted, cheered his men on, fighting himself like a tiger, killing two of the enemy and wounding a third. Some of these rebels had resolved to die rather than be taken prisoners, and on refusing to surrender had to be brought to their senses by a pistol ball. Those who were deprived of his rifle and bayonet, and then drew one of the strangest looking bowie-knives and continued to defend himself in the most desperate manner until he was despatched by a ball from a revolver. His weapons are now trophies in the hands of the trooper who proved his victor. The whole thing was done completely and well. We killed three, wounded five and made prisoners of eleven, who were marched off before their fleeing comrades half time to cover themselves. Corporal Lewis, son-in-law of the rebel lieutenants at a distance, heading south, mounted Lieut. Hidden's horse and went in pursuit. He soon overtook and bagged the game, who turned out to be a West Point cadet specimen of the reduced chivalry—a real whisky drinker and tobacco grinder. The F. F. V. had serious objections to being taken prisoner by one of their rank, and thus rendering to a corporal." A few raps with the back of the corporal's sabre on the rebel's shoulders soon brought him to his senses and lowered his dignity. He is now sharing the fate of his fellow rebels in a comfortable prison in Washington. Gen. Kearney, who saw the fight from a distance, declares it one of the most brilliant dash and desperate bit of fighting he ever saw. He took each man by the hand on his return and complimented him for his bravery.

Rev. Dr. Clover Vindicates Himself.

Rev. L. P. Clover, of Springfield, Ill., writes to the St. Louis *Democrat* a correction, of which we give the pith:

> One of the reporters of a Chicago paper says: "During his remarks Mr. Joslyn stated that spies and traitors had come to the State and city, and that a clergyman officiated at the opening of the Convention, who conscientiously refused to pray for the President of the United States and the Government."
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> All that I have ever uttered in prayer in the Convention when acting as Chaplain, was taken literally from some of the prophesies in Scripture, or from the book of Common prayer. I have never, to my knowledge, used a sentence of my own composition. Members of the Convention present, and familiar with the forms of the Church, will testify, that my custom has been to use the collects, or other prescribed forms of prayer from the prayer book, concluding with one of the two prayers for peace, composed, respectively, by the Bishops of Connecticut and Minnesota, and recommended for the use of his clergy by the Bishop of Illinois.
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> As to the charge made by Mr. Joslyn, that I constantly refused to pray for the President of the United States and the Government, it is untrue. I have never in my recollection, omitted, on any occasion, public worship, to offer the prayer for the President, or for Congress, when in session, or had any desire to do so. Several members of Mr. Lincoln's family are communicants of the church of which I am rector. They can, and will if called upon, bear testimony to the correctness of my statement in this particular.

☞ They are talking about a lousy contract in New Bedford, which exempted five per cent. of a large amount to a Government agent as palm-a-bey.

CASUALTIES AT PEA RIDGE.

Letter from Col. Julius White.

HEADQUARTERS 1st BRIGADE, 3d DIVISION, SUGAR CREEK, Ark., March 10, 1862.

Editor Chicago Tribune:

I have but a moment before the courier leaves in which to write, but employ that for the purpose of saying that the 37th and 36th Illinois Volunteers, with the Peoria Light Artillery, constitute this command. I have fought Ben McCulloch's forces and McIntosh's, and with the support of the Pocahontas (Iowa) Battalion of Cavalry, under the command of Major Bussey, have driven the enemy from Bentonville, three miles beyond Elkhorn Tavern, to Cross Hollows, eight miles, and from all indications, never had any sleep since.

The loss of the enemy in killed and wounded must be immense. Their dead are common and stunted oak. Then we left the plain which is here gradually merged into a line of bare, rolling hills, of slight elevation. Here the solid shot struck usually, the water leaking off down all the hollows.

We now descried a large white house, with out-buildings and pailing around it. The place was still evidently inhabited, as we saw two or three officers directing their way toward it, across the fenceless fields. Riding up, we found the occupants in the yard, telling their story to a dozen officers and men. That was an old man with rheumy eyes, his son, and his wife, and a boy of twelve. A strapping quadroon girl with a mop, and a sick, sorry-looking white at the well, and serving it out in a tumbler to a ring of thirsty visitors, among whom was the Prince de Joinville, patiently waiting his turn. He came next after a cavalry private.

The hills now sloped down eastward toward Bull Run, which was some two-thirds or three-fourths of a mile off. The road to Lewinsville, about a quarter of a mile to the left, was the highest land between the foot of the Alleghanies and Washington. Here we could see for miles in every direction. Here was a *few camps on the road*, but none of them seemed to have been very recently occupied.

Utterly dispirited, ashamed and humiliated, I return from this visit to the rebel stronghold, feeling that their retreat is our defeat. For seven months we have waited, organising a powerful army, until its drill and equipment should be so complete that we might safely advance against the "Gibraltar" of rebellion; we have forborne to make a single forward, swift pursuit, to be sure that we should not have to step back again; we have allowed the river communication to our Capital to be blockaded, our press gags as a nation, to be compelled to stretch out of our noble people to be stretched to the utmost, and the wings of our vast line of operations to be weakened, that we might not fall when the decisive hour for action came. And now, since we have moved, we see that our enemies, like the Chinese, have frightened us by their solid guns and the wearing of devils' masks. We have invented a powerful pensive steam engine, in order to extract the fangs from a flea, but when we put on the flea-collar we have remembered to run.

I am not a military man, you know. I could be easily puzzled by a dexterous use of the technology of a staff officer. I hear on good authority, that several officers of high rank have declared: "The fortifications at Centerville were perfectly impregnable." Impregnable? Good God! What contemptible ideas of impregnability must the crowds of Nashville have seen Gen. Gordon the position at Centreville is not so strong—yet we took Gen. Gordon. We have seen Chepultepec, that Gibraltar of Mexico, although we took it. I have seen Narva; the hill is twice as steep, and twice as high; but 8,000 Swedes, charging up it, drove 80,000 Russians, under Peter the Great, from their intrenchments. This is supposing, of course, that we should be so obliging as to attack the rebels just after they had intrenched nearly defied, omitting the opportunities of turning their position.

CONCLUSIONS.

I do not wish to be understood as blaming any individual. I was most favorably impressed, but hill, with the brother of Gen. McClellan, and with his evident success in resolving under out of chaos. I have deprecated the popular impatience with the inaction of the army of the Potomac during the winter, and insisted that the organising power which had molded a demoralized military mob into obedient capacity for action should be allowed to finish its work. But now is the time, without interference. It is for those in authority to judge where the blame lies. But, using my eyes and my ears—employing (modestly enough) the common powers of reflection—I cannot escape this following conclusion:

First—That the topographical character of the position at Manassas has been wholly misunderstood. Instead of a high plain, with ascending terraces, furnishing concentric lines of defense, it is a low plain, of which the only natural advantage is the stream of Bull Run, with a low bluff bank.

Second—That this position at Centreville, though naturally formidable to an advance from Fairfax, has no flank or rear defenses, is imperfectly fortified, and, from all indications, never had any siege guns.

Third—That the vans of four strong forts near Manassas Junction, on an open plain, do not constitute a strategic position of any importance.

Fourth—That the strongest of the rebel works was inferior, both in construction and armament, to the weakest of our forts on the Virginia side of Washington.

Fifth—That the rebels never had, at any time, in all the camps between Centreville and Manassas, more than 75,000.

Sixth—That an advance of our whole army made any time since the *first of November last would very likely have reached Manassas with as much expedition and as little loss as the advance at this time.* It is scarcely likely that the rebels, who have been all along so well informed as to our strength and our contemplated movements, would have hazarded an engagement which must have resulted disastrously to them.

There are many little incidents of this excursion which I must relate, but enough for to-day. One reflection, however, must be added before I close. The intelligent contraband whom I conversed with at Manassas told me distinctly, in these words: "They said, when they was hurryin' off, that you would be *here every night.*" The batteries on the Potomac were vacated in haste, immediately after Gen. Hooker was ordered to cross the river.

STRENGTH OF REBEL REGIMENTS.

[Washington dispatch to the N. Y. Tribune.]

A visitor to Manassas examined the provision returns of seven companies of the 21st North Carolina Regiment, which he found in a heap of papers. The highest number of men in any of these companies was 64, and generally shown to be 47, others showed less than 40 men. If there were no more in the other three companies, the regiment was between 400 and 500 strong. The returns of other companies belonging to different regiments averaged no more men. Irish deserters said that 50 Irish furloughs, desertions, &c., several regiments had dwindled down to 200.

By what a bugbear has the Capital of the Nation been beleaguered and the Treasury bankrupted!

Two apparently well-to-do farmers, living ten miles beyond Manassas, came in yesterday. They continued to live through it all until the Fourth Maine and Fourth Rhode Island Regiments occupying party is to search for indications of such traps. Nothing of the kind has been discovered.

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COMPANY I.—*Killed*—Second Lieutenant Robert S. Judson, Wilhelmus Mynderse, Corporal.

Wounded—First Sergeant, George A. Robinson, (severely,) second Sergeant, John Keplinger, (severely,) fourth Sergeant Marshall Secore, first Corporal R. S. Everett, (severely,) second Corporal Henry B. Trumbull, (severely,) sixth Corporal Jas. A. Harper, (dangerously,) John S. Adkison, Hans Erickson, John Ecler, Henry Hook, (severely,) Charles Hoffman, Wm. Phillip Miskimmins, William Moore, Samuel H. Moore, (severely,) M. V. B. Brotherton, (severely,) Nathan Coppel, severely,) Thos. Church.

Missing—Samuel H Messinger.

COMPANY K.—*Killed*—Edwin A. Richardson.

Wounded—Second Lieutenant Wm. Snedeker, (mortally), First Corporal Nathan D. King, Second Corporal Thomas J. Jack, Isaac M. Bimms, Alvin M. Brooks, Watson Wardell, Jacob Tannehill, Ambrose L. Scott, John Ewing (severely), George R. Belmer, Reed L. St. Clair, Hiram Severly, Ferdinand Vergen, Joseph Van Gordon (severely), Allen Wood (severely).

RECAPITULATION.

	Engaged.	Killed.	W'n'd.	Mis'g.
Comp. A.	33	1	12	
Comp. B.	17		2	
Comp. C.	59		14	
Comp. D.	53	5	27	1
Comp. E.	63	3	19	
Comp. F.	64	3	16	
Comp. G.	44		10	
Comp. H.	61	3	19	
Comp. I.	57	3	17	1
Comp. K.	59	1	15	
Total, regiment.....	549	18	150	2

FIRST IOWA BATTERY.

Killed—Wm Hall, Reese Parkhurst, Gustavus Gustavinson.

Wounded—Captain J. A. Jones, Lieutenant O. W. Gambell, Sergeant Geo. Henry, W. F. Conner, P. J. Duvall, Thomas Brown, J. B. Nelson, C. Woodmanser, Samuel Black, James Molesworth, John Keaton, R. Skidmore, William Selden, (severely.)

Engaged in battle, 114; killed, 3; officers wounded, 4; privates wounded, 11.

TWENTY-SECOND INDIANA.

Lieutenant Colonel John A. Hendricks, commanding, killed.

COMPANY A.—*Killed*—none.

Wounded—Wesley Browsey, Michael Stulti, Noah Gants, Noah Russell, George Day, Michael Devenser.

COMPANY C.—*Killed*—*Jeff.* Reynolds.

Wounded—Thomas J. Adams, Thomas A. Kennedy.

COMPANY D.—*Killed*—Corporal W. W Nandain, Phillip Pfeffer.

Wounded—Corporal Chas. J. Giles, Sergeant John B Watkins and Jas. Bell.

COMPANY E.—*Killed*—None.

Wounded—Phil. Brady, Louis Copeland.

COMPANY F.—*Killed*—Corporal M. Cook.

Wounded—Daniel Zott (since dead), Corporal Obadiah Miller, Corporal Jacob Fisher, Alexander Leffler, Robert Pettigrew, Joseph Wetzig, Pat Lynch.

COMPANY H.—*Killed*—none.

Wounded—John McCurdy, Corporal Jessee Hoosan, Millord Barran.

COMPANY I.—*Killed*—none.

Wounded—2d Lieut. Marquesmand, Sergt. W. B. Miller, Corp. V. Johnson, Ed. Holland, David J. Albeart.

COMPANY K.—*Killed*—1st Lieut. Perry Watts, Corp. Abraham Alfrey, F. M. Alfrey.

Wounded—Benj. S. C. Carrill.

Recapitulation—Total killed, 9; wounded, 32.

Company B, Captain Tanner, detached to guard train 16 and from Springfield, and not in the action.

The Condemned Clothing and Swindling Contractors.

[Washington Cor. Philadelphia Inquirer.]

The Commissioner appointed to investigate the immense swindle in clothing is holding daily sessions at the office of Capt. Daniel G. Thomas, Military Agent. Some of the leading persons, connected with the Philadelphia Arsenal, are here undergoing examination: Col. Crossman, Capt. Allegood, Inspectors Kern, Kelley, Haig, Yates and Perkins. The investigating Board consists of Col. Sackett, Inspector-General; Col. Chapman and Capt. Blanchard. The condemned clothing this week is being warehoused fronting on an entire square, and covering almost as much ground as the Pennsylvania Railroad depot. It comprises over forty thousand infantry coats, over fifty thousand pairs of pants, over fifteen thousand pairs of boots, and almost every other article of clothing, reaching in value about a million of dollars. Nearly all of it was furnished from Philadelphia, and your good city owes it to her fair fame to have the stain removed and the swindlers punished.

Memphis Out-Ranked—General C. F. Smith's New Position.

[From the Cincinnati Commercial.]

The fact that a powerful army under the command of Gen. C. F. Smith, had proceeded up the Tennessee river, has been for some time known to us, but we have refrained from mentioning it. The steps have now reached a very authentic announcement of the fact in the operations of the expedition, which has completed the capture of three-quarters of their doomed Confederacy. Brigadier-Gen. Lewis Wallace has marched across the country from the river and broken an important line of railroad communication at Purdy, which is the south east tier of Tennessee counties. Before this time, unquestionably, the Memphis and Charleston railroad, which runs near the Tennessee river, at Decatur, Alabama, has been broken, and railway communication between Generals Johnston and Beauregard severed. We do not see how the opportunities of a powerful army for advancing into the enemy's country can fail to have very important results. Gen. Smith is on the unguarded flank of Memphis, and there is now no good reason for the rebels to abandon their positions on the river above that town, as there was to abandon Columbus and Nashville. New Orleans is indefensible, and must speedily fall.

MANASSAS.

Descriptive Letter of Bayard Taylor.

The Future of the Army of the Potomac.

Strength of the Rebel Regiments.

OPINIONS OF THE N. Y. WORLD.

BAYARD TAYLOR'S LETTERS.

[Correspondence of N. Y. Tribune, yesterday.]

CAMP DISAPPOINTMENT, NEAR Centreville,
March 15, 1862.

Here we are to-night, one of the loveliest nights of the year, encamped at Union Mills, on Bull Run, where the rebels' right wing and the left wing of the loyal army face each other on the historic 21st of July.

Gen. Sumner's Division is encamped to-morrow, having left Fairfax and Sangster's Stations at an early hour this morning. (Farnsworth's Cavalry are with this division.) Here we are delayed by the provoking non-arrival of the provision train—unaccountable and inexcusable, even allowing much for the still shocking bad condition of shocking bad roads. Horses have lost nothing since early morning; men nothing save the little they brought and the less they have "confiscated."

On approaching from Blackburn's Ford, I had ridden in advance of the commander and staff, and met a solitary horseman, a rough, old civilian, with a round cap on his head, jogging along with such a cool, indifferent air, that at first I supposed he might be a farmer of the neighborhood. But as I drew near, in the hope of procuring a little information, he turned his head and I recognized the Prince de Joinville. He rode through the unsavory piles of ruin, inspecting everything with a keen curiosity. "Ah, calssons!" I heard him remark to an officer; "they must have been very near leaving their guns also."

The group of Generals, with McClellan at their head, rode along the track for a quarter of a mile, the horses' hoofs clattering through pots and pans, heaps of iron fragments and broken bottles, to the little redan, which I have already described. It is raised some 40 or 50 feet above the plain, and partly demolished on the east side, showing the walls to have been composed of hogsheads filled with earth. As the entire party of Generals and staff were collected together inside, looking over the mud walls, and enveloped in the smoke from the burning piles of work, the fuse of a mine came involuntarily into my head. On the left, inside the gate, was the entrance to a subterranean magazine. What, if beneath this empty redan there were ton after ton of powder, with a slow match calculated to reach it in twenty-four hours? Here were all our best commanders in a bunch, ready to be exploded. I presume, however, that the first duty of the occupying party is to search for indications of such traps. Nothing of the kind has been discovered.

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P OF HISTORY.

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...[N. Y. Times, Saturday.]

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The Tribune.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 1862.

THE VICTORY AT PEA RIDGE.

THREE DAYS OF DESPERATE FIGHTING.

Valor of Western Boys.

[Correspondence Missouri Democrat, 18th.]

After three days' hard fighting against 50,000 rebels, commanded by their ablest generals, we have won a victory decisive of important results. We have killed three generals, stampeded the rebel army, and produced a moral effect in the first battle on Arkansas soil that will be of great advantage to the national cause. The enemy himself offered battle, choosing his own ground, and we have whipped him out and utterly demolished his forces.

The following is the force under General Curtis:

GEN. SIGEL'S DIVISION.

FIRST BRIGADE—COL. GREUSEL.

Thirty-sixth Illinois, Col. Greusel.
Twenty-fifth Illinois, Col. Coler.
Forty-fourth Illinois, Col. Knoblesdorf.

SECOND BRIGADE—COL. OSTERHAUS.

Twelfth Missouri, Col. Osterhaus.
Seventeenth Missouri, Col. Hassendeufel.
Second Missouri, Col. Schaedler.

THIRD BRIGADE—COL. ASBOTH.

Third Missouri, Col. Frisla;
Illinois Cavalry (one battalion) Captains Jenks and Smith.
Third Iowa Cavalry.

GENERAL DAVIS'S DIVISION.

FIRST BRIGADE—COL. BENTON.

Eighth Indiana, Col. Benton.
Eighteenth Indiana, Col. Patterson.
Twenty-second Indiana, Lieutenant Colonel Hendricks.

SECOND BRIGADE—COL. JULIUS WHITE.

Fifty-ninth Illinois, Lieut. Col. Fredericks.
Thirty-seventh Illinois, Col. White.
Missouri Cavalry, battalion; Maj. Bowen.
Second Ohio Battery, Col. Curtis.
First Missouri Light Artillery, one battery.

GEN. CARR'S DIVISION.

FIRST BRIGADE—COL. DODGE.

Fourth Iowa, Lieut.-Colonel Shaffer.
Twenty-fifth Illinois, Col. G. A. Smith.
Twenty-fourth, Missouri—battalion—Maj. Weston.

SECOND BRIGADE—COL. CARPENTER.

Ninth Iowa, Lieut. Col. Herron.
Twenty-fifth Missouri, Col Phelps.
Ninth " Lieut. Col. Hayden.
First " " Lieut. Bussey.

THIRD BRIGADE—COL. ELLIS.

First Missouri Cavalry, Col. Ellis.
Third Illinois, Lieut. Col. ——.
Sixth Missouri Battalion; Maj. Wright.

For some days prior to the battle, Gen. Curtis, whose headquarters was at Osage Springs, determined to retire and occupy a stronger position on Sugar Creek, in anticipation that the enemy, after Price's retreat, would probably rally and attempt to roll back the tide setting against him. About the first of the month Gen. Davis reported with the Third Division to Sugar Creek. Col. Carr remained at Cross Hollows, twelve miles in front, while Gen. Sigel was encamped on the extreme right at Camp Cooper, near Bentonville, fourteen miles to Sugar Creek and twelve to Cross Hollows—our lines thus forming a triangle.

On Wednesday, the 5th, Gen. Curtis received reliable intelligence that the rebels were advancing, and intended to make an attack the next morning. They were reported to have seventy pieces of artillery, and were numbering from 35,000 to 40,000 men. Their pickets were at Elm Springs, eight miles distant. Several of our foraging parties in that direction were taken in.

In pursuance of his original design, General Curtis ordered Colonel Carr and General Sigel to move immediately and form a junction with Gen. Davis at Sugar Creek. Gen. Davis moved his division across the divide the same night.

The valley of Sugar Creek runs nearly east and west, and we were posted on the bluffs on the northern side, in a position affording great natural advantages against the attack of the enemy from the south. Batteries were planted along the bluffs, some breast-works were thrown up, and a traverse battery was erected so as to throw a cross fire on an enemy approaching through the valley. The enemy seemed to have too good evidence of our position to attempt an attack on this formidable side.

Intelligence was received Thursday night that they were marching on our flank by the Bentonville road. Tuesday morning a large force was ascertained to have taken a position directly on our rear at Elk Horn Tavern, between three and four miles from Sugar Creek valley. The enemy was also ascertained to be pouring in at a point along a road behind Leetown, in considerable numbers.

General Curtis, impressed with the critical situation of affairs, changed his front at right angles to our former position. Colonel Carr was immediately sent with a strong division to attempt a dislodgement of the enemy under Price and Van Dorn, at the same time that the forces under McCulloch and McIntosh, supposed to be under the former, were observed by Generals Davis and Sigel in the vicinity of Leetown, a small hamlet some two miles west of Elk Horn Tavern. The two battles, which were fought by all next day between these two points, were severely contested, and terribly destructive on both sides.

Early Thursday morning Sigel's division was moving from Camp Cooper, beyond Bentonville, for Sugar Creek. His rear guard—composed of the Twelfth Missouri and part of Captain Jenks's battalion of cavalry, attached to the Thirty-sixth Illinois, two companies Benton Hussars, and six pieces of flying artillery (Totten's battery)—left camp at 8 A. M. The main column marched through Bentonville without observing any indications of the enemy. Gen. Sigel and staff, together with the rear guard, arrived in Bentonville in an hour and a half. While resting here a black line was observed on the prairie towards the south, which at first attracted no particular attention. General Sigel with his glass soon became convinced that the line was in motion. Soon secesh flags were seen moving on Bentonville, and the pennants became black with masses of cavalry and infantry. The rebel cavalry moved up rapidly, and deploying to the right and left, surrounded the town.

Clouds of cavalry were still observed advancing at rapid speed.

Sigel moved forward the rear guard across a ravine on the margin of the town, and the opposite side of the ravine was occupied by the rebels, who came rushing up with a yell. Noticing that they had formed on his rear, he detached four companies of cavalry to hold them in check. Opening fire, they fell back, and left he sent his artillery to the front to meet a force drawn up in line of battle a mile out of town.

Sigel got off his horse, and personally superintended the planting of the pieces in position. He opened fire on the enemy in front, every shot having a telling effect on the enemy's ranks which faltered and fell back in the woods. A rapid advance of our column then took place, the enemy seeming to retreat on either side, but instead, they made a detour and formed again two miles further on at the entrance of a deep gorge. On reaching this position, it was found that they occupied in a large body of infantry, whose advance proceeded our arrival by taking a shorter road. The infantry were placed in the ambuscade, covered by the crest of a hill. Our troops passed forward into the gorge along which the road runs, when suddenly a galling fire of musketry was poured upon them from above, from the top of the hill along our left flank. The 19th Missouri charged up the hill in face of the fire, and drove the rebels over the hill.

During the charge Sigel ordered two pieces forward about a mile to a point where he could see the hill where the rebels supposed they were under cover. The guns were unlimbered by the men and were let observed by the rebels. As soon as this battery was planted, two cannon shots were fired from the head of the column in the valley, producing no effect back of the crest of the hill. A rapid advance of the whole column was then made, and as we receded from the enemy the latter covered the hill in large numbers, advancing on our rear. Our artillery was then turned on them, when opened on them, the balls passing over our column still in the gorge, which caused much destruction to the rebels that they scattered in all directions and ceased to molest us any further.

Company B, Thirty-sixth Illinois and part of Company A, were left in charge of a broken down ammunition wagon, and while engaged were surprised by 150 mounted secesh. The latter came up so suddenly that they were taken for our own men. They commenced to shout out, "Lay down your arms or we will kill every man of you." Our men having no one to command, obeyed the rebel order, threw down their guns and delivered themselves up. About fifty surrendered. A company of the Twelfth Missouri coming up directly after, fired a volley into the secesh, and nearly all of the Illinois boys escaped. Then in face of a fire of the enemy. Twenty-two of the number, including Lieut. Walker and Sergeant P. Douglas, are still prisoners. The dead bodies of the secesh were observed lining the road by Sigel's rear guard, at the attack of the infant Twelfth occurred near where Sigel planted his battery at first time.

Facing toward the north from this point, the eye rests upon a high range of bluffs, half a mile distant, covered with brush and timber. The intervening ground is low and undulating, and also densely wooded. The Fayetteville road winds through here, and on both sides of the latter our troops were deployed to meet a concealed foe. Sigel's division was in position, and whose numbers were unknown. Col. Vandever's Brigade formed and plunged bravely forward into the brush on the left of the road. The enemy encountered were soon driven from their places of concealment. Their batteries, which sent shell and ball crashing through the brush, were silenced, or forced to take to the rear. One of their battery, which was brought to play on the rebels, caused them to fly over the brow of the hill, which at one time was covered with Louisiana white coats.

The Iowa 9th and Col. Phelps's regiment both suffered severely, and were badly cut up.

About half-past 10, Col. Dodge's brigade formed on the right hand side of the road, the Sixth Illinois, under G. A. Smith, resting on the left, the 4th Iowa on the center, and one section of the 1st Illinois Cavalry on the right. Thus disposed, the whole line moved forward, commanded by Col. David. After forming, the enemy opened upon them with artillery, and kept up the fire for four hours.

The first skirmishing line encountered a number of our men were killed and wounded. The contest getting unequal, from the immense force the enemy displayed, Col. Carr sent orders, from time to time, to drop back.

At two o'clock the reserve line was formed, and the front was changed along the north side of an open field, facing the enemy. Forty-two pieces of rebel infantry had formed their position, and advanced and poured in a terrific fire, while the grape-shot from their batteries whistled through the trees after striking the ground.

The battery and the latter was taken from the field. A section of a German battery was brought into the field to take the place of the First Iowa battery.

The fighting raged until our regiments were badly cut up, when an order was received to move to an open field a mile nearer to our camp. The enemy pursued, and the commander did not cease to that direction till dark.

In abandoning our position held this morning, fears were entertained that the enemy would in the exultation of supposed victory, surprise our camp during the night. Our men fought gallantly all day, without flinching, as is evident by the loss sustained.

The enemy had fifteen thousand to our three thousand five hundred, a disparity of force almost unequalled. Some quartermaster stores at Elk Horn Tavern fell into their hands, all of which were used by them except the desiccated vegetables and potatoes, they having no idea for what purpose they were used. Our loss in killed and wounded was severe. Lieut. Colonel Chandler was captured with twenty men. Col. Carr was wounded in the wrist, and a grape-shot grazed his neck.

Corporal J. H. Rowics, while spiking a gun, was shot in both legs, not mortally. Capt. Hayden, of Dubuque battery, lost two men killed, and had 15 wounded—several mortally. Fifteen of the Third Illinois cavalry were wounded. Col. Smith, of the Twenty-fifth Illinois, was wounded in the leg and breast.

Col. Dodge went into the fight with 610 men, and at night had 70 killed and 50 wounded. Col. Vandever could count only 175 men. Half his commissioned officers were killed or wounded. Col. Phelps had four horses shot under him, and half his officers were killed and wounded.

Lieutenant Colonel Herron of the 9th Iowa was captured with several of his men. His horse was shot under him, and his uncle being fractured by the fall, he fell into the enemy's hands when our line fell back, and they started in the direction of the camp, the command having been much scattered. Lieutenant Colonel Trimble was shot in the face by a minie ball, the latter entering the cheek and coming out under the ear; but he was able to leave the field on his horse. Colonel Bussey rallied the other detachments of cavalry and got them in position, when the cavalry returned. Of two hundred and fifty men composing the Third Iowa which went into the charge, 45 were killed and wounded. The enemy having taken three pieces and pressed us closely we fell back to a large open field a quarter of a mile west of Leesville, where the second brigade of General Osterhaus's division, under Colonel Greusel, of the Thirty-sixth Illinois, had taken position early in the day. The cavalry stampede caused confusion, but order was soon restored by Colonel Greusel, who commenced throwing shot and shell from Hoffman's battery on the enemy's cavalry, just on the point of making a charge. Colonel Greusel then threw forward Major Bond with four companies of companies B and G, Thirty-sixth Illinois, as skirmishers to find the position of the enemy in the brush. Miller's men advanced in fine style, fired on the enemy's pickets just as he discovered six regiments in line. Here it is claimed that Ben McCulloch was killed by Peter Pelican, a Frenchman, who saw him roll off his horse.

A hotly contested engagement, fought the same day at Leetown, two miles north of our camp, resulted in the death of both Generals McCulloch and McIntosh, both fell in the charge, and their forces broke and ran.

Col. J. A. Hendricks, of the Twenty-second Indiana, fell, shot through the head.

Night coming on, the enemy made good their retreat.

We had engaged the enemy for seven long hours, and our tired and victorious troops bivouacked on the field for the night.

A number of rebel officers were captured, among them Col. Hebert, acting Brigadier General; Col. Mitchell, a major and several captains. Those named were taken by Capt. Smith's cavalry, attached to the Thirty-sixth Illinois and some infantry.

The Twenty-second Indiana lost the heartiest of the First Brigade. Col. Hendricks killed. Lieut. Merryfield, company B, killed by a six pounder in the breast; the same ball killed two cousins by the name of Alfreys. Lieutenant McGravel, Company G, wounded.

Twenty-second Indiana: 9 killed and 40 wounded.

The Thirty-seventh Illinois, of Col. White's Brigade, lost 119 wounded and 21 killed—the heartiest loss of the army.

Fifty-ninth Illinois, (late Ninth Missouri,) lost 14 killed and 51 wounded.

All the field officers of the Second Brigade were wounded, except *Col. Julius White—who was in the hottest of the battle.*

The cavalry met six regiments, one an Indian regiment under command of Pike, three pieces of artillery and one of Weldey's guns spiked, afterwards recovered by company E, Thirty-sixth Illinois.

Our cavalry in the confusion of the retreat run over Weldey's men, killing two and wounding six. Capt. Weldey spiked his gun before he left it.

The Thirty-sixth Illinois and Twelfth Missouri stood their ground, and saved the stampede.

Osterhaus commands the First division.

A NIGHT OF GLOOM AND ACTIVITY.

Matters at nightfall began to look critical, as the enemy had gained on us, captured some of our stores, and their shells had reached one of our hospitals. Some began to look gloomy. All our wagons during the day were moving, or ready to move in any direction necessary. A council of officers was held this afternoon, and greedily believed by many, that Hunter was only six miles distant with reinforcements.

It was said by some that Halleck was coming on, and the Illinois Thirteenth was "marching down from Springfield on double quick." These rumors served to keep up the spirits of the non-combatants. But it was evident that our only salvation depended on gaining a victory over the overwhelming forces of the enemy.

Gen. Curtis decided to commence the battle at break of day. The greatest animation prevailed in camp, and all were eager for the fray. Carr's entire division bivouacked in the field, where they remained till sunset.

THE GRAND BATTLE OF THE EIGHTH.

The enemy during the night advanced and took position one mile nearer our camp, occupying the extensive bluff to the left of Kirkham's Tavern, where they had battteries planted which commanded the open fields and bottom lands on this side. The open woods, a mile this side of the town, were also occupied by the enemy in considerable numbers. They had batteries pointed in all available positions, commanding the approaches from this side. General Curtis designed to open the ball at day-break, and in the necessary orders for a change of front the left wing having to be moved obliquely forward, the movement was executed by the Second brigade of Davis's division, which had been in reserve, and the Eighteenth Indians retaking Davidson's battery—the Second brigade at the same time charging on the left wing. Her batteries were planted along the elevations in this portion of the field, with alternate regiments of infantry.

The line as now formed was a concave, with the wings advanced toward the enemy, while seven batteries were planted along its whole length. No more beautiful spectacle could be conceived than to have presented by our line of battle. The sun shone cheerfully, and a lusty confidence was at once restored, and our men felt sure—and that victory was within their reach. The whole country in front of us on their right were covered with the enemy as thick as they could stand, while the intervening woods in front of our center was alive with them.

The batteries were soon opened all along the line, and a perfect hail of fire blazed on promptly with his batteries, with little effect, except slashing one of Sigel's guns. The murderous cross fire of our batteries crushed through the timber with terrible effect. The cannonade was terrible for two hours and a half, during which time the infantry advanced slowly under cover of the fire from the battalions. As soon as the enemy broke the infantry advanced with a yell in double quick, sending volley upon volley of well-aimed musketry.

The Twelfth Missouri rushed forward and charged on a battery in the heavy timber, capturing three guns and a flag belonging to the Dallas Artillery. The Seventeenth Indiana also captured a gun and two caissons. At this time Gen. Sigel pushed the enemy's right flank, while Gen. Davis and Col. Carr drove forward his left flank. The flight became general, and the ravine near the Kikhorn Tavern was thronged with the flying enemy. The bluffs on the left, forming a natural fortification, where they had several regiments and a battery posted, were stormed by Col. Greusel's brigade. The precipice here is seventy-five feet high.

The 12th, 18th and 17th Missouri and 31st Illinois, scaled the hill and drove the enemy out, the brigade losing only eight men killed and twenty-two wounded. The top of the bluff was completely covered with their dead and wounded from our spherical-case shot and shells. The arms and accoutrements were scattered in all directions. A prisoner taken here stated that Van Dorn had not been seen for two hours, and they thought it time to leave. The victory was complete. The retreating enemy were pursued for ten miles by Company D, of Bowman's Battery, and the pursuit was kept up by the Benton Hussars and Gen. Sigel to Keetsville. Prisoners, including officers, were taken in large numbers.

Our loss in the battle was comparatively small, but the enemy's was terribly severe. We killed Gen. Slack, and young Clark, son of Morrison Clark, of St. Louis, by a ball which had struck him on the left breast, and passed through the heart. Gen. Slack, who had commanded a battery gallantly, and had just given the order to retreat when a ball struck him on the head, killing him instantly. Gen. McCulloch, son of the General, was also found among the dead, with his commission in his pocket, near Elk Horn Tavern.

Gen. Curtis has won a victory that should place his name in the front rank of heroes battling for the national cause. From his position the field can be observed every movement, and gave his orders with admirable coolness and decision. His Aids, Captains McKinney, Stark, Aughelt, Still, and Lieutenants Adams and Hedgmer, were seen flying over the field, conveying orders and bringing intelligence.

Good judges place our loss in killed, wounded and missing, not over 1,500, while the enemy's loss will not fall far short of 2,500. The reports are as soon as obtained will be sent forward.

We have captured over 1,500 prisoners, and recovered all our guns. Several of the enemy's guns and caissons have been found abandoned in the woods, and any quantity of ammunition has been captured.

On the rebel side the Indians were in command of Pike, Standwartz and Ross. They proved of little account, except to plunder and rifle the dead and scalp the wounded, which fact Col. Bussey, of the Third Illinois cavalry, has ample evidence. In the field we accordingly allow would not be brought within range of our cannon. They would say, "Ugh, big gun!" and skedaddle for the brush.

Ben McCulloch was killed in the brush on a slight elevation on the opposite side of the field, by Peter Pelican, a private in company B, Thirty-sixth Illinois. The attack in which the unfortunate Ben was taken off was led by Capt. Miller. McCulloch wore a dress of black velvet, patent leather high top-boots, and he had on a light colored broad-brimmed Texan hat. He was on a light bay horse. Pelican went up and took a good watch, now in possession of Col. Greusel.

A cannon ball struck the ground, and ricochetting, passed under Waller's horse, and carried away a leg of the horse rode by Lieut. Landgrove. The Lieutenant fell with the horse, but extricated himself as soon as possible. The horse getting up, he bobbed to the secesh ranks, taking along the Lieutenant's pocket money, which was concealed in the holsters.

We had an alarm in camp yesterday, which called out nearly our whole force into line, and considerable firing. The panic was caused by 150 rebel cavalry, who were mistaken for our own battle-field to bury their dead. Some persons not knowing their object gave the alarm, and at one time we thought the camp was invested by myriads of the skulking enemy and Indians.

The third and fourth division moved toward Bentonville to take up new quarters.

KILLED AND WOUNDED OF THE 36TH REGIMENT OF ILLINOIS VOLUNTEERS.

KILLED.

Ira Fuller, co. K.
Paul Shipbrackett, co. F.
James H. Harrison, co. C.
John Eay, co. E.

WOUNDED.

Ernst Ansorg, co. B.
William Gibson, co. C, right arm amputated at shoulder.
Andrew Rodsell, Corporal co. D, right arm broken.
Thomas Olsen, co. G, left thigh broken.
Edward Jones, co. H, left thigh broken.
George Miller, co. B, in left hip.
C. Pratt, co. G, left shoulder.
James Riley, co. B, in left hip.
Frank Leet, co. C, in right temple.
Thomas Boyd, co. B, through right thigh.
Thomas McGuire, co. C, through left hand.
Wm. Van Ohlen, co. B, in abdomen.
Oliver Brownlee, corporal co. B, through right arm.
D. McTemple, co. D, through neck.
Henry Heag, co. C, through left arm.
W. F. Partridge, co. H, through left arm.
David Boswell, co. G, in left hip.
Louis Jones, co. G, through right leg.
Peter Gleason, co. G, through left leg.
W. M. Stitt, co. G, through right ankle.
Wm. L. Campbell, co. B, in right leg.
Alex. R. Stitt, co. G, through the left leg.
Francis Simpson, co. K, through the knee.
S. H. McCartney, co. in forehead.
Charles Cox, co. A, in right thigh.
Orrin Pickett, co. H, in abdomen, mortally.
Franklin Small, co. G, in left arm.
John Ellis Bennett, corporal co. H, in right thigh.
Robert N. Thompson, co. B, in left side.
James McCreary, co. K, in right side.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, March 18, 1862.

SENATE.

Mr. SUMNER introduced a bill to remove all disqualifications of color in carrying the mails.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, from the Military Committee, reported back a joint resolution authorizing the President to assign the command to the same officer in the field without regard to seniority, with an amendment striking out the portion giving the President power to dismiss from the service. The amendment was adopted and the resolution passed.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Finance, reported back the Indian appropriation bill without amendment. He also offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Navy furnish the Senate with copies of all contracts made by R. L. Stevens for the Floating Battery; also a statement of all payments and advances on said contracts and the progress of the Commissioners appointed to examine said Battery.

On motion of TRUMBULL, the bill to provide for judicial proceedings on captured property, and for the better administration of the law on prizes was taken up and passed.

The resolution offered by Mr. STARK of Oregon, that the papers, etc., in reference to the loyalty of Mr. Stark be referred to the Judiciary Committee was taken up.

Mr. HALE thought the question was already settled, and hoped the Senate would spend no more time upon it.

Mr. STARK said he wanted to know if the Senator from Oregon (Stark) intended to go into an investigation of the question.

Mr. STARK said he had offered the resolution in order that he might have an opportunity to meet the charge of disloyalty anywhere, but he (Stark) had no intention of being his own prosecutor.

Mr. TRUMBULL wanted to amend the resolution so as to make it referable to a Select Committee of 5. The motion was carried. The resolution was then adopted, yeas 27, nays 3. Nays—Messrs. Bayard, Hale and Saulsbury.

Mr. CLARK of N. H. introduced a bill to furnish a sufficient supplies to the soldiers of artillery and one of Weldey's guns spiked, afterwards recovered by company E, Thirty-sixth Illinois.

The bill for the abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia was taken up.

Mr. HALE merely wished to reply to the statement of the Senator from Kentucky in regard to the effects of this bill if passed. The Thirty-fifth article of the Spanish treaty declares that it is unsafe to perform a plain and simple duty, for fear of disastrous consequences, and this question of emancipation had never been argued in this country on the great fundamental principle of right and wrong. The question was never naked in political circles—what is due to the individual, but, what are to be the consequences. The Senator from Kentucky (Davis) looks upon it in that view entirely. He says the negroes to be liberated by this bill become a source of danger to the white population, become criminals, paupers, and pests to society, and the power which undertakes to liberate them shall relieve the white population of such burdens. But there are other predictions and other facts which show different consequences of emancipation. He referred to emancipation in the British West Indies, and the difficulty of breaking in upon the one that deteriorated in exports since the emancipation, and that began long before the emancipation. In Barbadoes the exports have increased more than double since the emancipation, and in what are called the Leward Islands the exports have increased since the emancipation from three millions pounds, and the imports still more, the result being an increase of 215,855 pounds.

The opportunity is now presented to the nation to try the experiment in this District. He did not ask that any provision of the Constitution be trampled under foot. The Supreme Court had not decided against the right of Congress to legislate for the District of Columbia. The inauguration of emancipation in the West Indies did not lead to any such results as the Senator from Kentucky pointed out, but the result fully proved the justice and wisdom, the expediency of the measure. He said nothing was more unkind and unjust than the sneer and keen to degradation and ignorance the black race, and the abuse and deride them because they were not able at once to rise to an equality with their masters.

On motion of Mr. WILSON the subject was postponed until to-morrow.

The Senate went into executive session, after which it adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House considered the Senate bill to increase the efficiency of the medical department of the army.

During the discussion Mr. BLAKE said he had no doubt that the army of the Potomac had been well and medically provided for, but it was not so as to the western boys, who had been murdered by neglect. He had received letters from fathers and mothers beseeching the Government to do something done, so as to save the lives of their children.

Mr. BLAIR of Missouri replying, said that the first steps to be taken were to place at the head of the Medical Department a Director General, who combined experience with great surgical skill.

Mr. BLAKE's amendment to be read as article in the Chicago Times showing gross misfeasance in the Medical Department of the West.

Mr. KELLOGG of Ill. propounded the following question to Mr. Stark, which he declined to answer:

Have you not been arrested and imprisoned by the military authorities of the United States for disloyalty to the Government?

Mr. STARK said he had offered the resolution in order that he might have an opportunity to meet the charge of disloyalty anywhere, but he (Stark) had no intention of being his own prosecutor.

Mr. ARNOLD moved to amend the resolution so as to make it referable to a Select Committee of 5. The motion was carried. The resolution was then adopted, yeas 97, nays 3. Nays—Messrs. Bayard, Hale and Saulsbury.

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THE CITY.

BARBAROUS.—Mike Russell a colored barber, saw fit to flourish a knife around the head of another colored man, at No. 165 Sherman street, cutting him in an ugly manner. Mike was held to bail for a further hearing.

DISCHARGED.—An examination was yesterday afternoon had, at the office of the Superintendent of Police, before Justice Milliken, of F. C. Loomis, on the charge of swindling, an allusion to which was made in these columns last week. The defendant was discharged.

NEW PASSENGER HOUSE.—The new passenger House of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago, and the St. Louis, Alton & Chicago railroads, to take the place of the old one destroyed by fire a few days ago, will soon be completed. The frame is up and the roofing and siding are being put on. This is doing up business with expedition.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—The members of the Institute met last evening, as per previous notice, at No. 79 Dearborn street, but as the officers were not prepared to make their reports, the meeting adjourned over until next Tuesday, at 9 o'clock P. M., at which time there will be held the regular election of officers for the ensuing year.

A SMASHER.—John Hendrihane was yesterday brought before Judge Davis, of the Police Court, charged with having maltreated his "other half," so shamefully that she deemed her life in danger. John also smashed up the furniture in his house, with a reckless disregard of expenses, and was accordingly required to pay a fine of $3.00, and sent to the Bridewell for ten days.

CORRECTION.—An article appeared in these columns a day or two since, in which it was stated that a man by the name of Patrick McCormick had been killed on the railroad near Joliet by being run over by a locomotive attached to a freight train. This was incorrect, inasmuch as the person killed was Matthew M'Cormick and the accident occurred near Morris, Grundy county, the train being a mail train going west.

THE ZOUAVES AND MR. ELLSWORTH.—An exhibition drill of the Ellsworth Zouaves, Capt. Brand, took place last evening at the headquarters of the latter in Garrett Block, which was well attended. The evolutions of the Zouaves were creditably performed. After the conclusion of the drill a splendid photograph of the late Col. Elmer E. Ellsworth, containing also the likenesses of members of his company, was presented to E. D. Ellsworth, the father of the lamented Colonel. Captain Steel presented the gentleman to the audience. The presentation speech was made by Mr. Smith of the company, and responded to by Captain Steel in behalf of the parent. Mr. Ellsworth was deeply affected during the delivery of the addresses, and the numerous touchig allusions to his son brought tears to his eyes, as they did to those of many spectators. All in all, it was an interesting occasion and one long to be remembered by all participating in it.

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.—At a well-attended meeting of the Young Mens' Association, held last evening, the following ticket was nominated for officers of the ensuing year, on the so-called regular ticket:

For President—George S. Bowen, of Bowen Brothers.

For 1st Vice President—Norman Williams, Jr., Attorney-at-Law.

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A meeting to nominate an opposition ticket will be held at the rooms of the library this evening.

A committee on contested elections, provided for in the by-laws, was appointed comprised of the following gentlemen: Hon. Geo. Manierre, E. B. McCagg, Esq., and Thos. B. Bryan, Esq. The following gentlemen were appointed Judges of the election: George H. Phelps, Esq., T. W. Wadsworth, Esq., and Dr. Aaron Gibbs.

Camp Douglas Matters.

MOVING.—Affairs at the camp yesterday presented rather a lively appearance, both among our own soldiers and the prisoners. The 53d Illinois Regiment, Col. Cushman, had received marching orders, and was making active preparations for a speedy departure.

DONATIONS.—Several hundred dollars in money has been sent up from friends in Kentucky as donations to the rebel prisoners; and yesterday afternoon this money was distributed among them, to the manifest delight of the recipients.

DEATHS.—The following deaths have been reported since our last:

Robert P. Moore, Co. I, 50th Tenn.
J. M. Dunaway, Co. C, 42d Tenn.
John Bardy, Co. D, 54th Miss.

Previously reported 78
Reported to-day 3
Total to date 81

Fatal Stabbing Affray.

Last evening, at about 8 o'clock, a bloody fight occurred near the corner of North Clark and Kinzie streets, which resulted in the death of a man named John Lloyd.

It appears that Lloyd and some of his associates were about to enter the "Free and Easy Saloon," when some dispute arose between the deceased and a young man named William Gibbons, who is known as a wild and reckless fellow, and who had but recently finished up a term in the city Bridewell. From angry words the disputants soon came to blows, and after fighting for several seconds with their fists, Gibbons suddenly stabbed Lloyd twice in the left breast with a long clasp-knife. The blade must have penetrated the victim's heart, as he instantly fell to the ground, speechless, and in five minutes was a corpse. The body was carried into Warlich's drug store, and was subsequently removed to the North Side Police Station. Coroner James was immediately sent for, but it being found necessary that a post-mortem examination should be made, no inquest was held on the body last night.

The victim of this melancholy tragedy was a seaman about thirty years of age, and belonged in Eastport, Maine, though his birthplace was St. Johns, New Brunswick. He came from Cleveland to this city yesterday, to seek for a situation on some vessel.

Gibbons was promptly arrested, and the most important witnesses of the bloody tragedy were held to appear at the examination, which will take place to-day.

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THE AVERY INCEST CASE.

Testimony of the Complaining Witness.

The resumption of the preliminary examination of Norman S. Avery, charged some twelve days since with an outrage upon the person of his daughter, came up yesterday afternoon before T. B. Brown, Esq., at his office, corner of Clark and Randolph streets. As is usual on such occasions in Chicago, there was a perfect jam of news-inquiring curiously-hunting individuals crowding the contracted apartments of the Magistrate.

The defendant, as will be recollected, was held to bail in the sum of $500 at the first hearing before the same officer, and in default has been in jail during the continuance. He is a man of about forty years, tall and strongly built, has not ill-shapen features, and wears his hair short, as well as a goatee upon his chin. His eyes are blue. Should the reader meet the man in the street, he would not be taken for the heartless villain he is represented to be. He bore the scrutiny of the crowd and the embarrassing pressure about him with composure, and during the cross-examination of the daughter frequently prompted his counsel and suggested questions calculated to probe the subject to the bottom.

The principal personage before the Magistrate and the one upon whom all eyes were fastened, was the complaining witness, a young woman of about seventeen summers. She was decently but not gaudily attired, and was a dark-haired, black-eyed, fresh complexioned girl, rather prepossessing than otherwise, and one who, under more propitious circumstances would attract the admiring eye of nine out of ten of those she would meet on the street. Her testimony in the direct examination was given with calmness and deliberation, in answer to interrogatories by Carlos Haven, Esq., State's Attorney. In the cross-examination, however, to the questions of Messrs. Asay and Adams, counsel for the defense, she did not keep her temper as well.

At this stage of the proceedings, it being past six o'clock, the Prosecuting Attorney made an application for a continuance, to allow him to produce the person of Mr. Hare, an important witness, by whom he proposed to show the relationship between the defendant and the girl, Martha, so strenuously denied by the counsel for the defense